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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 09/07/2007

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-30.

Identification of prior art discussed: Sheeran et al. ("Checking safety properties using induction and a SAT-Solver", November 2000, In Proc. Conference on Formal Methods in Computer-Aided Design).


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative highlighted some features of the instant Application, which distinguish it from the prior art (Sheeran et al.) was used for rejection in the last office action. Examiner made a suggestion to clarify the limitation a) of the independent claims 1, 12, 29, in particular, the term "predetermined limit for a number of transitions" for further consideration.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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